

Date: 07-07-28

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

This document is hereby regraded to  
**CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with the  
letter of 16 October 1978 from the  
Director of Central Intelligence to the  
Archivist of the United States.  
Next Review Date: 2008

25X1

DATE: 25X1

**INFO.**

DIST. 27 March 1947

PAGES 2

## SUPPLEMENT

## ORIGIN

STATE	WAR	NAVY	JUSTICE	R & E	C & D						
-------	-----	------	---------	-------	-------	--	--	--	--	--	--

1. [REDACTED] the Russians will not yield from their point of view that the German peace treaty must be signed by a German government. The minimum number of ministries planned by the Russians is three: Economic, Transportation (including Communications), and Trade and Civilian Supplies (including Food and Foreign Trade).

2. [ ] the Presidents and Vice-Presidents of the Central Administrations are preparing plans for the evolution of the Central Administrations into an administration for all of Germany.

25X1 [redacted] Comment: [redacted]  
[redacted] SMA Industry Division Chief, Koval, stated to the Presi-  
25X1 dents and Vice-Presidents that their Central Administrations would  
be considered in the future government of Germany.

25X1 The Central Administration of Transportation is working especially intensively on this question. The SED Central Secretariat expects that the Russian Zone will be allowed to name one third of the members of each ministry of the new German administration. The SED intends to allow no CDU or LDP members to be nominated by the Russian Zone, but only reliable SED men.

3. [redacted] in connection with a preliminary roster of Germans favored for positions in a German government, SMA political officers in the first week of February showed increasing interest in the following persons:

25X1	Karl J. Germer:	Berlin; SPD opposition group.
25X1	Kossmann:	Leading figure in the Christliche Volkspartei in the Saar; one time member of the Saar Government Commission of the League of Nations.
25X1	Prof. Kastner:	Minister of Justice, Saxony, LDP.
25X1	Johannes Schroeder:	[redacted] Konsistorialrat; Russian PW, released December 1945; member of Freies Deutschland [redacted]

**CONFIDENTIAL**

25X1

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE GROUP

- 2 -

In addition to these, the Russians definitely wish to have Otto Grotewohl and former Ambassador Nadolny in a future German central government.

25X1

4.

[redacted] General Georgiev is of the opinion that the French will relax their opposition to a German central government. [redacted]

25X1

25X1

25X1

5.

[redacted] Dr. Josef Schoelmerich has given up his job as head of the Personnel Section of the Central Administration of Health to take over a special department which is to draw up plans for a Ministry of Health. [redacted]

25X1

25X1

[redacted] Dr. Konitzer, President of the Central Administration of Health, expects to be appointed Minister of Health. Konitzer would take three SED colleagues along, Dr. Schoelmerich, Dr. Coutelle, and Frau Dr. Kolmar.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CONFIDENTIAL